

AFTER THE SITE VISIT

- After the site visit, the Review Team will prepare a site visit report identifying strengths, weakness and recommendations for improvement.
- The application will be blinded and sent out to the voting members of the State Trauma Committee along with a copy of the application at least one week prior to the next scheduled meeting.
- The voting members of the State Trauma Committee will review the blinded application and the site visit report. Based upon this information, the designation will be approved, approved for limited period or denied.

- **DESIGNATION APPROVED:**

- The designation will be for a period of up to three years
- A certificate of designation, signed by the State Health Officer will be sent to the facility as soon as possible following the determination
- The certificate will note the designation period
- The facility will also receive a copy of the site visit report.

- **DESIGNATION APPROVED FOR LIMITED PERIOD**

- If the State Trauma Committee feels that there are weaknesses or concerns noted in the report which prevent a full three year designation period from being granted, the committee may grant a period of less than three years for the designation.
- The limited designation period may vary from 3-12 months in length
- A focused review will be conducted with the facility during the designation period
- If possible, the same Review Team will conduct the focused review
- The Review Team will look specifically at the weakness and recommendations identified during the previous visit
- The facility will receive a trauma center designation certificate with an expiration date that corresponds with the end of the limited period designation as soon as possible following the determination
- The focused review may be conducted on-site or via BTWAN depending on the area of concern to be addressed
- The report generated from the focused review will be handled in the same manner as the initial site visit report and will be reviewed by the State Trauma Committee who will make the designation determination.

- **DESIGNATION DENIED**

- If the State Trauma Committee feels that the areas of weakness or concern are significant enough the designation may be denied
- The facility will receive a written notice identifying which criteria were not met

- The State Trauma Coordinator can be utilized as a resource person for the facility to work towards meeting the criteria
- The Department of Health, Division of Health Facilities will be notified of the denial of designation as maintaining trauma center designation is a requirement
- In order for a facility to obtain trauma level designation following a denial, the facility would need to resubmit a designation application and start the process over when the areas of concern have been addressed.